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FOLLOWING REPEAT JIDDA 1974 SENT ACTION SECSTATE MAR 15.
QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 1974

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PPDC, SA
SUBJECT: LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER FROM KING KHALID

1. THE FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY'S INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER
TO PRESIDENT CARTER FROM KING KHALID, RECEIVED BY EMBASSY
MARCH 14.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

I SEND BEST GREETINGS AND SINCEREST GOOD WISHES TO YOUR
EXCELLENCY FOR GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

3. YOUR EXCELLENCY, THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT YOUR EXCELLENCY
IS FOLLOWING CURRENT EVENTS IN THE HORN OF AFRICA AND KNOWS
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THE DETERIORATION IN THE SITUATION THERE AS A RESULT OF
JOINT SOVIET-CUBAN INTERVENTION IN THE FIGHTING AGAINST
SOMALIA ON THE PRETEXT THAT SOMALIA HAS COMMITTED AGGRESSION
AGAINST THE REGION OF OGADEN.

4. YOUR EXCELLENCY REALIZES THE DANGER TO THE REGION AND
ITS PEOPLE FORMED BY THE CONTINUATION OF THE FIGHTING.

IN VIEW OF THE SOMALIS' ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEIR READINESS TO WITHDRAW FROM THE DISPUTED REGION AND THEIR ACTUALLY HAVING BEGUN THAT, I BELIEVE THAT THE TIME IS SUITABLE AND APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR EXCELLENCY TO MAKE YOUR EFFORT TO BRING PRESSURE ON THE SOVIETS IN ORDER TO STOP THE FIGHTING THERE AFTER THE ELIMINATION OF THE PRETEXT WHICH THEY ARE USING. FOLLOWING THAT THE REGION SHOULD BE PUT UNDER INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION UNTIL ITS FATE IS DETERMINED.

5. I AM CERTAIN THAT YOUR EXCELLENCY WILL GIVE THE MATTER THE ATTENTION AND CONCERN WHICH WILL ACHIEVE THE HIGHEST INTERESTS OF THE STATES OF THE REGION AND THEIR PEOPLES AND WHICH WILL PROTECT INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

6. WITH BEST FRIENDLY WISHES. SIGNED, KHALID BIN ABD AL-AZIZ AL SAUD. RIYADH, MARCH 14, 1978.

7. EMBASSY WILL SEND ORIGINAL TEXT AND TRANSLATION BY POUCH.
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